

AN
Act Agreed upon

at the Treaty,

By the Kings Majesty and the Commis-
oners at New-port in the Isle of Wight, on

Munday last, October 9. 1648.

Which his Majesty hath given his Royall con-
sent to be PASSED.

Concerning the MILITIA of the Kingdome, and
for the raising and mainraining of the Forces by Sea
and Land, within the Kingdoms of England and
Ireland, and Dominion of Wales, the Isles of
Guernsey and Jersey, and the Town of

Barwick upon Tweed.

And for the Liberties of the City of LONDON.



Printed by Robert Ibbitson, in Smithfield, neer the
Queenes-head Tavern, 1648.

Acc. Ag. 1000

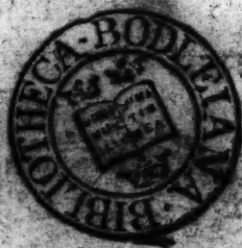
and the

of the

of the

of the

of the





Soit Baillè aux Seigneurs.

A Ceste Bille les Seigneurs sont assentuz

BE it Enacted by the Kings
Majesty, & by the Lords
and Commons assembled
in Parliament, and by the
authoritie of the same,
That the Lords & Com-
mons in the Parliament of England as-
sembled, shall during the space of twenty
years, from the Arme, Train,
and Discipline, or cause to bee Armed,
Trained, and Disciplined, all the Forces
of the Kingdoms of England and Ireland,
& Dominion of Wales, the Isles of Guern-
sey,

sey and Jersey, and the Towne of Barwick upon Tweed, already raised both for Sea & Land service, and shall from time to time, during the said space of twenty years Raise, Leavy, Arme, Train, and Discipline, or cause to be raised, leavyed, armed, trained, and disciplined any other forces for Land and Sea service, in the Kingdoms, Dominions, and places aforesaid, as in their iudgements they shall from time to time, during the said space of 10 years think fit, and appoint: and that neither the King his Heirs or Successors, nor any other, but such as shall act by the Authority or approbation of the said Lords and Commons, shall during the said space of twenty years, exercise any of the Powers aforesaid.

And that monies be raised and leavyed for the maintenance and use of the said forces for land service, and of the Navy and Forces for sea-service, in such sort and by such waies and meanes as the said Lords and Commons shall from time to time during the said space of twenty years think fit and appoint, and not otherwise. That all the said forces both for Land and Sea service, so raised or leavyed or to bee raised or leavyed, and also the Admiralty and Navy, shall from time to time during the said space of twenty yeares, be employed, managed, ordered and disposed by the said Lords and Commons in such sort, and by such waies and meanes as they shall thinke fit, and appoint. And the said Lords and Commons during the said space of twenty yeares shall have power:

1 To suppress all forces raised or to be raised, without authority and consent of the said Lords and Commons, to the disturbance of the publique peace of the Kingdoms of England and Ireland, and Dominion of Wales, the Isles of Guernsey and Jersey, and the Town of Barwick upon Tweed, or any of them.

2 To suppress any forraign forces who shall invade, or endeavour to invade the Kingdoms of England and Ireland Dominion of Wales, the Isles of Guernsey & Jersey, and the Town of Barwick upon Tweed, or any of them.

3 To contraine such forces of the kingdom of England, as the said Lords and Commons shall from time to time during the said space of 20 years, judge fit and necessary: To resist all forraign invasions, & to suppress any forces, raised or to be raised against, or within the kingdom, to the disturbance of the publique peace of the kingdom, by any authority under the Great Seale, or other Warrant whatsoever without consent of the said Lords and Commons of the Parliament of England. And that after the expiration of the said twenty years, neither the King, his Heirs or Successors, or any person or persons, by colour or pretence of any Commission Power Deputation, or authority to be derived from the King, his Heirs or Successors, or any of them shall Raise, Arme, Traine Discipline, Employ, Order, Manage, Disband, or Dispose any of the forces by Sea, or Land, of the Kingdomes of England and Ireland, the Dominion of

of Wales, Isles of Guernsey, & Jersey, and the Town
 of Barwick upon Tweed, nor exercise any of the
 said powers or authorities in the precedent Arti-
 cles mentioned and expressed to be during the said
 space of twenty yeares in the said Lords and
 Commons; nor doe any Act or thing concerning
 the execution of the said powers, or authorities,
 or any of them, without the consent of the said
 Lords and Commons first had, and obtained.
 That after the expiration of the said 20 yeares, in
 all cases wherein the Lords & Commons shall de-
 clare the safety of the kingdome to be concerned,
 and shall thereupon passe any Bill or Bills for the
 raising, arming, training, disciplining, employing,
 manning, ordering or disposing of the forces
 by Sea or Land, of the kingdomes of England and
 Ireland the Dominion of Wales, Isles of Guernsey
 and Jersey, and the Town of Barwick upon Tweed
 or any part of the said forces, or concerning the
 Admiralty and Navy, or concerning the levying
 of monies for the raising, maintenance, or use of
 the said forces for Land service, or for the Navy,
 and forces for Sea service, or of any part of them;
 And if that the Royall assent to such Bill or Bills
 shall not be given in the House of Peers, within
 such time after the passing thereof by both Houses of
 Parliament, as the said Houses shall iudge fit and
 convenient: That then such Bill or Bills so pas-
 sed by the said Lords and Commons as aforesaid,
 and to which the Royall assent shall not be given as
 is herein before expressed, shall nevertheless after
 Declaration of the said Lords and Commons made
 in

in that behalf: doe the force & strength of an Act
or Acts of Parliament: And shall be as valid to
all intents and purposes as if the Royall assent
had been given therunto.

Provided, that nothing herein before
contained shall extend to the taking a-
way of the ordinary legal power of She-
riffes, Iustices of Peace, Mayors, Bai-
liffs, Coroners, Constables, Headboroughs
or other Officers of Justice, not being
Military Officers, concerning the admini-
stration of Justice, so as neither the said
Sheriffes, Iustices of Peace, Mayors,
Bailiffs, Coroners, Constables, Head-
boroughs, and other Officers, nor any of
them, doe leaue, conduce, employ, or com-
mand any forces whatsoever, by colour
or pretence of any Commission of Array,
or extraordinary command from his ma-
jesty, his heirs or Successors, without
the content of the said Lords & Commons.

And if any persons shall be gathered
and assembled together in warlike man-
ner, or otherwise to the number of thirty
persons, and shall not forthwith dis-
band themselves being required there-
to.

(45)
to by the said Lords & Commons, or com-
manded to be, by any of the said Lords or
Commons for that purpose, the said per-
son or persons not so dishonouring them-
selves, shall be guilty and incur the pains
of high treason, being first declared guilt-
y of such offence by the said Lords and
Commons. Any Commission under the
great Seal or other warrant to the con-
trary notwithstanding.

And he, or they that shall offend herein
to bee incapable of any pardon from His
Majesty, his Heires or Successors, and
their Estates shall be disposed as the said
Lords and Commons shall think fit,
and no otherwise.

Provided that the City of London, shall
have and enjoy all their Rights, Liber-
ties and Franchises, Customs, and Dis-
cusses in the raising, and employing the for-
ces of that City, for the defence thereof, in
as full and ample manner, to all intents
and purposes, as they have or might
have used or enjoyed the same at any time
before the making of this act.

Finis

Newport 9 Oct 1648.